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1. The troops of the class of 1925 were released between 28 October 1947 and 1 November 1947. On 15 November 1947 the class of 1927 was called to service. During the last ten days of October the Pomak laborers of the class of 1926 were released, and only the Bulgars were retained in the formations.

2. Location of Engineer Battalions:

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| (a) 1st Engineer Battalion | Sofia |
| (b) 2nd Engineer Battalion | Pleven |
| (c) 3rd Engineer Battalion | Plovdiv |
| (d) 4th Engineer Battalion | Shumen |

3. Each Engineer Battalion consists of the following:

- (a) One bridge builders unit
- (b) One automobile and truck drivers unit
- (c) One wireless operators unit
- (d) One surveyors unit
- (e) One bicyclists and motorcyclists unit

The total strength of each battalion is 250 men.

4. The 25th Infantry Regiment is based at the railroad station of Pirin. Its commander is Colonel Rousev. The regiment consists of three battalions and an artillery unit. The total strength of this regiment, including the artillery unit, does not exceed 1,000 men. The armament of the regiment is complete, consisting of sub-machine guns, new rifles, machine guns, mortars, etc.

5. The 39th Infantry Regiment (Salenika (sic)) is based at Ane Nevrokop. The commanding officer is Colonel Dobre Dobrev. Its strength is 500 men. This regiment includes two battalions.

(a) The commander of the 1st Battalion is Captain Saitanov. The battalion consists of the following companies:

1st Border Sector (sic). Commander is 2nd Lieut. Stoyan Makaveyev who was formerly a sergeant in the ~~Border Sector~~. The strength of the company is 95 men.

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2nd Border Company. Commander is 2nd Lieut. Miloshev. Its strength is 70 men.

Company of non-commissioned officers (Sergeants, R-1's) with a strength of 100 men.

(b) The 2nd Battalion consists of the following companies:

The 3rd Border Company (Truda Granitvina Batta) under the command of 2nd Lieut. Jankov. Its strength is 70 men.

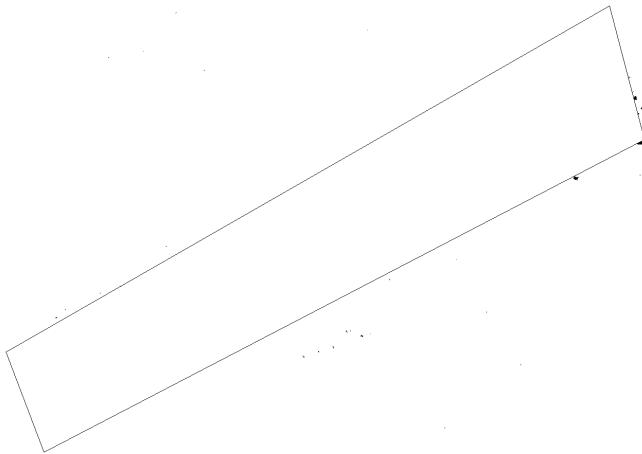
Company of Specialists under the command of 1st Lieut. Gopov. Its strength is 70 men.

Mortar unit under 1st Lieut. Iristsa Batchinvarov. Its strength is 30 men who serve four mortars.

6. The commander of the Third Mountain Brigade of Sliven is General Senov.

7. The First Regiment of automobile drivers based in Sofia has a strength of about 800 drivers and 100 others. The regiment has about 600 motor vehicles at the service of the Sofia garrison. Most of these vehicles are of Russian or German manufacture.

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